

As both a journalist and a citizen, I urge the commission to reconsider both the June 2 deadline for discussion of the present matter and the proposed initiatives.

The FCC's role is to act as a watchdog, not a lapdog, of the major media corporations who control so much of the public sphere of discourse. As the current initiative would further reduce diversity of editorial viewpoints in the media, it must be considered contrary to the country's and its citizens' interest in an enlightened populace and should therefore be tabled indefinitely.

Please reconsider this proposal.